

State Agency GIS (SAG) Meeting

March 15, 2007

ITEM	DISCUSSION	STATUS/ACTION
Attendance- Location: Missouri Dept of Conservation, 291 W Truman Blvd, Human Resources conference room	Attendees: Tony Spicci, Arnold Williams, Mark Duewell, Beth Struempf, Becky Veit, Bobbie Sue Koelling, Dan Ross, Tracy Schloss, Jeff Schloss	Call to order 2:00 PM Minute Taker: Tracy Schloss
ACTION ITEMS		
Approval of Agenda	Several additional topics were added to the agenda: GIS Training, GIS at State Data Center, Schools data layer, ESRI software, Trimble contract, GIO strategic plan.	
GENERAL BUSINESS		
GIO Discussion		
Someone to Take Minutes	Minute taking will rotate between members	TRACY Schloss volunteered to take minutes this time
Purpose of This Forum	Discussion of the format of the meeting. Do we want to have vendors come in and present? There have been several offers already to do this.	Status: It was decided the group would only have vendor presentations if there were a particular topic we wanted to pursue.
ESRI Enterprise License Update	When we visited this a year ago, ESRI had proposed an enterprise license agreement. This agreement would give the state unlimited use of licenses for one year. At the end of the year, a review of usage would determine annual maintenance. This would be offered at a flat fee, but is very pricey. Do we want to revisit this proposal?	TONY will contact ESRI and see if the offer would be the same if we were to re-open this discussion.
GIO Web Site	GIO web site is currently maintained by Office of Administration (OA) and needs to be updated. Updates should include: Upcoming SAG meeting dates, links to other GIS web pages, listing of funding opportunities, new GIS activities/initiatives.	ALL: Everyone should check the site to see what might be missing and what needs to be changed. Also check the existing links and make sure they are still functioning. . BOBBIE SUE has volunteered to maintain this page. Tony will find out the contact information at OA and provide this information to her.
ArcGIS Server licensing	Several questions about how ArcGIS server is licensed were discussed. Existing ArcIMS, ArcSDE and ArcGIS server sites (those current on their maintenance) will be grandfathered in for these products. There was a question about maintenance reactivation. This is not in the state's MPA, but there is a sole-source letter available from ESRI.	BOBBIE SUE will collect all additions and updates. JEFF will provide this letter to the whole group.

<p>GIO Discussion, cont'd</p> <p>GIS Training</p>	<p>Training was discussed a year ago. It was decided to pursue state based training at MOTEC using examples from various state agencies.</p> <p>There is some confusion about if we can use the training licenses from the lab kit for training other than the standard ESRI material.</p> <p>DNR has some licenses that could be reactivated and used for training if OA could pick up the maintenance.</p> <p>MOTEC has a very full schedule; this training will have to be made well in advance.</p> <p>It was suggested by Tony that training material could possibly be developed at MSDIS. Mark agreed that MSDIS would be willing to assist in the development of training material. The general opinion of the group was that we work first among the state agencies to put this together.</p>	<p>TRACY will collect whatever training material is currently available from the various agencies. Submit this information electronically if at all possible.</p> <p>DAN Ross said that OA could cover the cost of the supplies for training.</p>
<p>GIS Server at State Data Center</p>	<p>What GIS capabilities are currently available at the State Data Center? Is this where MoMap is housed? Is there staff available?</p> <p>What about geocoding services?</p>	<p>TONY will contact Howard Carter to find out if geocoding is something that is available to state or other agencies.</p>
<p>GIO strategic plan</p>	<p>Is the plan developed by Ryan going to continue to be the plan that Tony follows? Tony's #1 goal is to work on the NSDI data layers. Is this more properly discussed in the SAG forum or as part of the Data Development subcommittee of the Missouri GIS Advisory Committee (MGISAC)?</p>	<p>Status: It was decided that this should be pursued through the Data Development subcommittee.</p> <p>TONY will refresh the GIO strategic plan when the MGISAC refreshes its strategic plan in facilitated sessions conducted with the recent FGDC grant award.</p>
<p>Schools data layer</p>	<p>It is time to revisit Enterprise Architecture for the GIT discipline. Documents need to be checked for vitality.</p>	
<p>Trimble contract</p>	<p>How can the schools data layers (public and private) be posted at MSDIS, given that multiple agencies contributed to their development? What details must be in the layer and which could be removed for safety?</p> <p>Has the Trimble contract expired? Per Arnold, this has been renewed again. Regional rep provided a copy to Arnold.</p>	<p>MARK volunteered to work with DESE to remove more sensitive information from this data prior to posting. BOBBIE SUE was to check with DESE over data publication concerns.</p> <p>ARNOLD will share the new contract with the group.</p>

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

OA- CIO	There is an effort to try to consolidate functions. The postings for the CIOs of SEMA and Agriculture both included GIS skills as part of the job description.	Status: There were no applicants with GIS skills.
DHSS	Grant funds are very tight for GIS positions. Vacant GIS position held open until more secure funds can be identified.	Status: Might be some GR available to help in these situations? Contact Dan Ross when these situations occur.
DNR	Servers are being upgrade for new permitting system. This application has a June 1 deadline. There are plans for more data publishing and increased usage of SDE.	
Conservation	ArcView 9.2 is being pushed to everybody. Currently there are a lot of different versions being used. An integrated data framework, which was previously set aside is now back on. All applications will have GIS capabilities. This is being modeled after an application in Virginia, which already has a lot of the functionality needed.	
MoDOT	Moving ahead with Oracle Spatial. All the raster sets have been loaded and many of the polygon and centerline layers. Oracle Spatial has been working well and has several advantages over basic Oracle.	
MSDIS	CORS network is being worked on. Working on 50 states initiative and mirroring of data servers.	
Revenue, Social Services, Elementary - Secondary Education	All three agencies are maintaining current projects.	

PROJECT UPDATES

Project Updates 50 State CAP Grant	CAP grant will be discussed more fully at MGISAC meeting.	
DOQ project	2007 flight is ongoing. With the warm weather, completion will be very close. There are already preliminary discussions about the 2008 flight. Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) covering the Kansas City region is interested in participating, but it would have to be off their contract with GE Energy; they can't buy into the state contract. This would provide 1' imagery instead of 2'.	Status: Flight plan could be adjusted to take advantage of this offer. Only projects of this scope would be considered for the 2008 plan.
NHD Stewardship	USGS is still looking for data stewards. DNR looked into this, but the tools didn't work. There is a training coming up in April. USGS will cover almost all the cost.	DNR and Conservation will check with respective staff for availability and interest.
ArcGIS server grant	DNR has a programmer that can devote some time to this project. ESRI trying to plan a kick off meeting next week (March 19). The server has been installed and software is loaded. Plan is to develop an application to allow users to check out data, make edits, and check it back in again. There was a general discussion about the usefulness of this process.	TONY: will send Jeff a copy of the grant proposal.

OPEN DISCUSSION

OA - CIO	Need to create a list of things enabled throughout the state by GIS. This information needs to be grouped by legislative district. Something similar was already done for IT functions.	ALL: There is not really time to complete for 2007 legislative session, but the group would be working on this list for the future.
2008 Flight	Who will have money to contribute to 2008 flight? Did Public Safety participate for 2007? A: Yes, Highway Patrol contributed \$50K for current flight.	
Summer Internship program	There is money for IT and GIS summer interns. This program will pay competitively at \$10 / hr.	ALL: Please check with your agency to see if any interns are needed. These positions should be used specifically for IT or GIS tasks.
GIS Day at the Capital	Have we waiting too long to schedule this? In previous years it was done in April.	TONY will check schedule at the Capital for any open dates.
Next Meeting	Meeting concluded at 4:50. Next meeting: April 19, 2:00 - 4:00 Missouri Dept of Conservation, 291 W Truman Blvd, Human Resources conference room	Standing meeting for the 3 rd Thursday of the month. Conference room has been reserved through the end of the year.